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(*d*) whether it is a fact that poor students undergoing collegiate course admitted into the Paddison Hostel have to find money to pay fees in advance for the first quarter ?

A.—(*a*) Ninety-six.
(*b*) New admissions 23.
Readmissions 32.
(*c*) No.
(*d*) Six students had to do so, but the amounts were subsequently recouped by them through scholarships.

Rao Sahib R. SRINIVASAN :—" With reference to the answer to clause (*d*), may I know whether Government have any proposals to pay in advance to these students their scholarships as they are very poor and unable to raise loans ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MAHOMED USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :—" As far as I know, there is no such proposal."

Admissions to and increased accommodation for the Paddison Hostel.

* 1025 *Q.*—Rao Sahib V. I. MUNISWAMI PILLAI : Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) what is the total number of applications received for admission of students in the Paddison Hostel, Royapetta, Madras, in July 1929 ;

(*b*) how many Madras and mufassal students were admitted;

(*c*) whether the Government have any proposal to acquire a permanent and bigger building for the above hostel ; and

(*d*) if not, whether the Government will be pleased to acquire one to give room for a larger number of students coming from the mufassal ?

A.—(*a*) Ninety-six.
(*b*) Six from Madras and seventeen from the mufassal were newly admitted.
(*c*) No.
(*d*) The question will be considered if the expansion of the numbers is thought desirable.

Rao Sahib V. I. MUNISWAMI PILLAI :—" Since only 23 students were admitted out of 96 who applied, does not the Government think that the time has now come that better facilities should be afforded to admit more ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir MAHOMED USMAN SAHIB Bahadur :—" If the Commissioner of Labour makes any such proposal, the Government will consider it."

Alleged delay in the payment of salary to the warden of the Nayady Colony at Olavakote.

* 1026 *Q.*—Rao Sahib V. I. MUNISWAMI PILLAI : Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the warden of the Nayady Colony at Olavakote was not given his salary since his appointment till September 1929 ;

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(b) if so, why ; and

(c) when he was appointed and when the first instalment of his salary was paid ?

A.—(a), (b) & (c) The warden was appointed on 1st June 1929 in anticipation of the sanction of Government and his salary was sanctioned for payment on 4th September 1929, after obtaining Government's approval to the appointment.

Labour

Appointment of a District Labour Officer for Malabar.

*1027 Q.—Rao Sahib V. I. MUNISWAMI PILLAI : Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether a regular District Labour Officer has been appointed for Malabar ;

(b) if so, who he is ;

(c) whether any Labour Inspectors were appointed in Malabar ; and, if so, how many and what is the grade of each ;

(d) what is the nature of the work the Labour Inspectors are doing now ; and

(e) whether the District Labour Officer is now working in the whole district ; if not, in what taluks he is asked to work now ?

A.—(a) Yes.

(b) M.R.Ry. M. R. Bangara.

(c) Four on Rs. 35—60 each.

(d) They are inspecting and supervising the existing schools, hostel and the Nayadi colony. They are also examining the question of starting new works in the year.

(e) He is concentrating his work in the taluks of Chirakkal, Kurumbranad, Calicut and Palghat. He is also inspecting and supervising existing works and examining the conditions of the depressed classes in general in other taluks where necessary.

Labour schools in Malabar district.

*1028 Q.—Rao Sahib V. I. MUNISWAMI PILLAI : Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(a) what is the number of Labour schools in Malabar now ;

(b) what is the amount placed at the disposal of the District Labour Officer for opening schools in the current year and how many schools have hitherto been opened ; and

(c) what is the total number of teachers in Labour schools in Malabar now and how many of them are Adi-Dravidas ?

A.—(a) Nineteen.

(b) Rs. 22,100 for the maintenance of existing schools as well as for opening new schools. No new school has been started in the current year yet. Investigation of the needs of the depressed classes is being made by the District Labour Officer and new schools will be opened where necessary.

(c) Sixty-three, of whom six are Adi-Dravidas.